

Kentucky Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council

Meeting Summary

February 17, 2022

Virtual Meeting

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. EST

Council Members: Sharon Darnell, Stephanie Hager, Matthew Smith, Phyllis Millspaugh, Jeanette Rheeder, Ron O'Hair, Bill Heffron, Betty Abshire, Peggy Roark, Mike Barry, Becky Clark, Kathryn Tillett, Sherri Estes, Carmilla Ratliff, Valerie Mudd, Rachel Petit, Steve Lyons, Lynn Haney, Kelly Gunning, Russ Williams

Staff: Cheryl Bogarty, Patti Clark, Christie Penn, Amy Potts, Missy Runyon, Diana Hobbs, Tom Beatty, Lori Ramage, Diane Gruen-Kidd, Brittney Allen, Dee Dee Ward

Guests: Marcie Timmerman, Courtney McCall

Topic	Discussion	Next Steps
Call Meeting to Order	Sharon Darnell, Membership Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM and welcomed members, guests, and staff. Quorum was confirmed. Acting Division of Behavioral Health Director, Dr. Brittney Allen, introduced herself to members and thanked them for their service.	Planning Council's homepage: http://dbhdid.ky.gov/dbh/kbhpac.aspx
Member Updates	Members, guests, and staff introduced themselves and provided updates.	
Approval of November Meeting Summary	Members reviewed the November meeting summary. Sherri Estes made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Kelly Gunning seconded. Minutes approved.	Approved meeting summaries are available at the Planning Council's homepage .
Committee Reports	<u>Executive Committee</u> Sharon Darnell provided a report of the Executive Committee meeting held January 20, 2022. Members discussed the original purpose and status of the ad hoc Policy & Advocacy Committee. Mike Barry made a motion to pause the committee. Kelly Gunning seconded. Motion approved. Members reviewed the committee minutes. Peggy Roark made a motion to approve them as written; Ron O'Hair seconded. Minutes approved. <u>Membership Committee</u> Sharon Darnell, Committee Chair, provided a report of the Membership Committee meeting held January 20, 2022. Committee members approved a slate of Council officers for a two-year term to begin July 1, 2022. Council members reviewed the slate and Mike Barry made a motion to recommend the slate of officers for appointment. Val Mudd seconded. Motion approved.	Approved meeting summaries are available at the Planning Council's homepage . The Council's recommendation will be sent to Commissioner Wendy Morris.

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	<p>Members reviewed the committee minutes. Kelly Gunning made a motion to approve. Peggy Roark seconded. Motion approved.</p> <p><u>Finance and Data Committee</u> Peggy Roark, Committee Chair, shared that the committee will meet on May 12, 2022 @10-12:30 Eastern Time.</p>	
Mental Health Block Grant Site Visit	<p>Missy Runyon, Division of Behavioral Health Program Administrator and Block Grant State Planner, provided information about the upcoming Mental Health Block Grant Monitoring Visit that will be conducted by SAMHSA on April 26-28, 2022. Missy shared that SAMHSA staff will join the April quarterly meeting and will meet confidentially with members at the end of the meeting.</p>	<p>A report of SAMHSA's recommendations will be shared during an upcoming meeting.</p>
SMI Task Force Update	<p>Kelly Gunning provided an update on the recommendations made by the Legislative Research Committee's Severe Mental Illness (SMI) Task Force, an eight-member, bipartisan task force that met six times in 2021 and made the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directs the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to apply for a waiver for individuals with SMI. • Fund and expand assisted outpatient treatment to all community mental health centers (CMHCs). • Expand the class of individuals who can have access to assisted outpatient treatment. • Directs the Department for Medicaid Services to suspend prior authorizations for behavioral health services and requires managed care organizations to cover long-acting injectable medications. • Establish and fund mental health courts across the state. • Amend KRS 202A.0811 for clarity and due process issues. • Fund mobile health clinics to increase integrated care. • Directs the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to expand Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic designation to all fourteen CMHCs. • Directs the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to assess current in-state training capacity for psychiatric primary care physicians. • Requires all mental health professional licensure boards to either enter an interstate compact or to ease or establish reciprocity procedures to increase the mental health workforce in Kentucky. <p>Seventy-four organizations signed a letter of thanks to the Task Force and requested an omnibus bill (one big bill). Legislators did not choose to create an omnibus bill this session, but many of the recommendations are being addressed in legislation.</p>	<p>Findings and Recommendations of the Severe Mental Illness Task Force link</p>

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Department Update	<p>Phyllis Millspaugh provided the following updates for the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Program Administrator has been hired to support 988 implementation. Also, legislation that includes a fee to support 988 has been filed with bipartisan support. • Almost \$550k is being distributed via Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to increase state capacity for peer support services. • The department is in the process of hiring staff for Supported Employment, Assertive Community Treatment, and the Alcohol and Suicide Prevention Enhancement Sites. 	
Adjournment of Meeting	Valerie Mudd made a motion to adjourn at 11:31 AM. Peggy Roark seconded. Motion approved.	<u>Next Meeting:</u> Thursday, April 28, 2022